

## Benefits

- Competitive stipend
- Health insurance is available
- 13 days of paid annual leave
- 10 paid holidays
- Accrue 4hr sick leave/pay period
- Educational leave to attend meetings and conferences, which may include:
  - ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting
  - Western States Conference for Pharmacy Residents, Fellows, and Preceptors
- Residents' office with individual space
  - Personal computer
  - Desk and file drawers
- Virtual Library, available both at the facility & off-site
  - Micromedex
  - Access Pharmacy
  - Up to Date
  - Natural Medicines Database
  - Pharmacists' Letter
  - Current textbooks
  - Many specialty-specific references
- Free parking, lab coats

This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any resident applicant.

## Qualifications

Must be a United States citizen and have graduated from an American Council on Pharmaceutical Education accredited college or school of pharmacy. All pharmacy residents are required to become licensed, but they can be licensed in any of the United States.

### Residency Information:

<http://www.albuquerque.va.gov/careers/PharmacyResidency.asp>

**Applicants must participate in the ASHP Matching Service and the Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service (PhORCAS). The application deadline is January 7<sup>th</sup>.**

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## Postgraduate Year 1

# Pharmacy Residency Program



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**NEW MEXICO VA  
HEALTHCARE SYSTEM  
ALBUQUERQUE, NM**

## PGY1 Pharmacy Residency

*ASHP-Accredited since 1986*

The Raymond G. Murphy VA Medical Center is a Level 1 tertiary referral center with a 24-hour Emergency Room located in Albuquerque, New Mexico, the heart of the Land of Enchantment. As a teaching institution, the medical center is affiliated with the University of New Mexico and the Central New Mexico Community College. The medical center is authorized to operate 310 beds, which include 184 acute hospital beds (including a 26 bed Spinal Cord Injury Center), and an extended care facility. Home care is provided through the Home Based Primary Care program. Community based outpatient clinics (CBOCs) operate in several locations throughout the state.

## Residency Purpose

The purpose of this PGY1 Residency is to produce a highly-skilled practitioner able to provide direct patient care in both inpatient and outpatient settings. The practitioner will be competent in patient-centered pharmaceutical care for acute care and ambulatory patient populations, which includes being knowledgeable in pharmacy operational services. The resident receiving a certificate will be prepared to accept any patient care pharmacy position, especially within the Veterans Affairs Health Care System. The resident will also be prepared to serve as an adjunct faculty or pursue PGY2 training in an area of their interest.

## Direct Patient Care Opportunities

### Inpatient Populations

- General Medicine
- Critical Care
- Infectious Diseases
- Psychiatry
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Palliative Care
- Geriatrics

Activities in these areas include team rounds with physicians/medical residents & students, drug information, drug therapy monitoring, anticoagulation, participation in emergencies/codes and pharmacokinetic consultations.

### Outpatient Populations

- Clinics staffed by pharmacists with prescribing privileges, managing dyslipidemia, hypertension, smoking cessation, diabetes, psychiatry, spinal cord injury, anticoagulation
- Multi-disciplinary HIV Clinic
- Home Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- Hematology/Oncology

Activities in these areas include physical assessment, medication therapy management and medication reviews.

## Training Blocks

- Training blocks vary from 4-6 weeks and develop confidence in major areas of practice
- Required training blocks include Practice Management, Acute Care General Medicine, Critical Care, Infectious Diseases, Psychiatry, Ambulatory Primary Care
- Other activities include
  - Formulary Management
  - Residency Project
  - Medication Errors
  - Medication Use Evaluation
  - Adverse Drug Events

## Residency Activities

Additional opportunities and activities that will occur throughout the residency include:

- Mentor Program
- Teaching opportunities
- Student Conferences
- Professional Development Series
- Journal Club
- Pharmacy Newsletter
- Non-formulary reviews
- Pharmacy Operations (Staffing)
- Professional conferences/meetings

